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the State board of health, or from rooms which have been occupied by such persons without first having said articles disinfected to the satisfaction of the local board of health."

SEC. 12. Section 44 of chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended by striking out the words, "specified in the preceding section," in line 2 of said section and inserting in place thereof the words, "for which disinfection may be required by the State board of health," so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

"SEC. 44. When persons from houses or places which are infected with any of the diseases for which disinfection may be required by the State board of health have entered any schoolroom, or when from any other cause the schoolroom has probably become infected, the teacher shall dismiss the school and notify the school officers and local board of health, and no school shall be again held in such schoolroom until the room has been disinfected to the satisfaction of the local board of health, and the school officers and board of health shall cause the room to be disinfected as soon as possible."

SEC. 13. Section 48 of chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended by striking out the whole of said section and substituting therefor the following:

"SEC. 48. No person shall let or hire any house or room in a house in which any of the diseases have existed for which disinfection may be required by the State board of health without having caused the house and the premises used in connection therewith to be disinfected to the satisfaction of the local board of health."

SEC. 14. Section 75 of chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended by striking out from the end of said section the following words, "but no such hospital shall be within 100 rods of an inhabited dwelling house in an adjoining town without the consent of its local board of health," so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

"SEC. 75. A town may establish therein one or more hospitals for the reception of persons having the smallpox or other diseases dangerous to the public health; or its local board of health may license any building therein as a hospital, which shall be under the control of said board."

SEC. 15. Section 76 of chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes is hereby repealed.

SEC. 16. Section 77 of chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended by striking out the word "inoculated" in line 2 of said section and inserting in place thereof the words, "who are infected, infectious," so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

"SEC. 77. When a hospital is so established or licensed the physicians, the persons who are infected, infectious, or sick therein, the nurses, attendants, and all who come within its limits, and all furniture or other articles used or brought there shall be subject to the regulations made by the local board of health."

SEC. 17. Section 82 of chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended by striking out the words, "over two years of age," in line 4 of said section, so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

"SEC. 82. The board of health of each city, village, town, and plantation shall annually on the 1st day of March, or oftener if they deem it prudent, provide for the free vaccination with the cowpox of all the inhabitants within their respective localities, to be done under the care of skilled practicing physicians, and under such circumstances and restrictions as said authorities adopt therefor."

#### **State Laboratory of Hygiene—Appropriation for. (Chap. 274, Act Apr. 1, 1915.)**

Section 23 of chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 26 of the public laws of 1907 and by chapter 40 of the public laws of 1913, is hereby further amended by striking out the words "five thousand" in the first line of said section and inserting in place thereof the words "six thousand," so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

"Section 23. The sum of \$6,500 a year is hereby appropriated to pay for the services of the director, and of such assistance as may be necessary, to procure the necessary supplies, and to meet the other necessary expenses of said laboratory, which sum shall be expended under the supervision of the State board of health."

**Undertakers and Embalmers—Licenses—Renewal of.** (Chap. 310, Act Apr. 1, 1915.)

Section 9 of chapter 181 of the public laws of 1911 is hereby amended by striking out the whole of said section and substituting therefore the following:

"Section 9. All licenses which have been, or may be issued to undertakers by the State board of embalming examiners, shall expire on the 31st day of December annually: *Provided*, That the licenses hereafter issued shall be valid and shall not expire the last day of the following year. Any person holding an embalmer's license under the provisions of this act may have the same renewed by making and filing with the secretary of said board of examiners an application therefor within 30 days preceding the expiration of his or her license, upon blanks prescribed by said board and upon payment of \$1 renewal fee: *Provided, however*, That any person neglecting or failing to have his or her license renewed as above, may have the same renewed by making application therefor within 30 days after date of expiration, and upon payment of \$2 revival and renewal fees."

**MASSACHUSETTS.**

**Tuberculosis—Reimbursement of Towns and Cities for Money Expended—Investigation of, by State Department of Health and Trustees of Hospitals.** (Chap. 24, Act Mar. 23, 1915.)

*Resolved*, That the State department of health and the trustees of hospitals for consumptives are hereby authorized and directed to investigate the subject of reimbursing cities and towns for money expended by them in the care at hospitals of persons suffering from tuberculosis, and especially the subject matter contained in senate document No. 102 of the current year, and to report the result of their investigation to the general court on or before the second Wednesday of January next, together with any recommendations for legislation which said department and trustees may deem expedient.

**Tuberculosis—Expenses of Trustees of Hospitals for.** (Chap. 111, Act Mar. 2, 1915.)

SECTION 1. The sums hereinafter mentioned are appropriated, to be paid out of the treasury of the Commonwealth from the ordinary revenue, for the expenses of the trustees of hospitals for consumptives, for the fiscal year ending on the 30th day of November, 1915, to wit:

For the salaries of the secretary and clerks, a sum not exceeding \$5,069.49.

For traveling and other necessary expenses of the trustees, to include printing and binding of their annual report, a sum not exceeding \$4,700.

For the salary of an agent to inspect hospitals in cities and towns, \$1,400.

For salary of a trained social worker to look up discharged patients, a sum not exceeding \$1,200.

**Drugs and Poisons—Analyses of, by State Department of Health—Legal Effect of Certificate.** (Chap. 104, Act Mar. 25, 1915.)

SECTION 1. Chapter 495 of the acts of the year 1910 is hereby amended by striking out section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following:

"SEC. 2. The analyst or an assistant analyst of the State department of health shall, upon request, furnish a signed certificate, under oath, of the result of the analysis provided for in section 1 to any police officer or any agent of an incorporated charitable organization, and the presentation of such certificate to the court by any police officer or agent of any such organization shall be prima facie evidence that all the requirements and provisions of section 1 have been duly complied with. This certificate